

The Evening Standard

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THE SOUTH IS GROWING.

Birmingham, Alabama, has grown from a city of 36,000 ten years ago to a city of 134,000. That is the most remarkable increase so far recorded by the census bulletins. But there are other southern cities which have shown great advancement in the past decade, and the indications are the entire South is about to enjoy the development for which the southern people have waited since the clash of arms nearly fifty years ago took the heart out of the owners of slaves and left the controlling people discouraged and bankrupt.

The South is beginning to receive immigration and ten years from now may see even greater changes than have occurred in the last decade.

SATURDAY CLOSING HOURS.

The butchers and grocers are to keep their places of business open until 8 o'clock this evening; the dry goods and other merchants will keep their doors open until 9 o'clock. Those hours are late enough for anyone desirous of shopping.

A prominent merchant said today that the 9 o'clock closing hour is not permanently decided upon, that the hour is only tentatively agreed on, pending a final agreement a little later in the season, when the time may be fixed at 8 or 8:30 o'clock.

Ten o'clock at night is an unnecessarily late hour and the prospective closing hours of 8 o'clock in the winter and 8:30 in the summer should appeal to merchant, clerk and customer as a pleasing compromise.

THE EMMANUEL MOVEMENT.

Rev. Dr. Shields, of the "Emmanuel Movement" within the Episcopal church, has aroused such interest in his subject that the members of the Episcopal church in this city have decided to form an organization for the purpose of spreading information on, and deriving the best possible good from the "Emmanuel Movement."

Dr. Shields spoke to an attentive audience last night and made a profound impression. He will give the last of the series of three lectures on the "Emmanuel Movement" tomorrow evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, in the Episcopal church, and his address, no doubt, will be highly instructive.

We are pleased to note the spread of the belief in psychotherapeutics. Half of the ailments today are functional, and can be overcome by improving the mind conditions; half of the diseases have their origin in mind depression, which could be warded off or overcome by a little knowledge of the power of the mind for bodily good.

With a better understanding of how to train the mind and how to obtain mental aid, a big part of the woes of the world must disappear. There is nothing of the unreasonable or mysterious in this; it is simply the old injunction that a man should know himself, and knowing, apply this knowledge, and it is all worthy of careful study.

BLOWING UP OF THE TIMES.

That was an outrageous act, the blowing up of the Times building in Los Angeles at an early hour this morning, when a large force of men were at work in the mechanical department of the paper.

It is too early to fix responsibility, and to offer insinuations as to the guilty parties would be unjustifiable, but we hope the crime will be traced to its source and the fiends incarnate made to realize the enormity of their brutally murderous acts which have left women and children without the aid and comforting strength of those on whom they have leaned.

The "Black Hand," that murderous crew from out of a land of feuds and vendettas, never conceived of a more cowardly, treacherous, sneaking, blood-stained villainy than that perpetrated upon the Times in Los Angeles, and it is a national disgrace that organized assassination, not less terrible than that afflicting the countries where the banditti are the outgrowth of oppression and lowered civilization, should, in this country of widest liberty and greatest opportunity, attempt to crush and crucify those who stand in the way of the murderers.

The average American has too fine a sense of right and wrong to remain silent while these foul deeds are being perpetrated and, if we mistake not the sentiment of our people, the protest which this diabolical crime calls forth, will be quieted only by the ferreting out and punishing of every one in any manner a party to the outrage.

These hellhounds of anarchy have no place in our civilization.

PERPETUATE AMERICAN PRINCIPLES.

Daniel S. Tuttle, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States, in a prepared interview at Montgomery, Maine, yesterday said:

"All true Americans, it seems to me, ought to strive to maintain and perpetuate American principles. State-wide prohibition violates and local option supports this principle; therefore I am opposed to state-wide prohibition and in favor of local option."

Missouri at the November election will vote on the state-wide prohibition constitutional amendment.

DEFECTIVE WATER TITLES.

The weak or defective titles to water for irrigation and similar purposes, which have given rise to endless litigation of "water rights" in the United States, plainly astounded H. McKenzie, minister for lands of Australia, when he arrived in Chicago to investigate the financial phase of irrigation. The great projects undertaken in western states to reclaim arid lands had impressed him greatly. The basic weakness of irrigation securities—an inadequate title to the water necessary to transform arid to productive land and thus provide the absolute value of the securities—has caused the ultra-conservative banks to decline to purchase them. Some \$300,000,000 of irrigation bonds have been issued, it is estimated, but their future is now very gloomy unless water becomes property to which there is an unassailable title, as in Canada and Australia. This will require an amendment to the constitution of the United States. "Irrigation has done more than any other one thing to bring Australia to a prosperous condition," Minister McKenzie said, "and I am here to study the

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LAKE COMMERCE AND POPULATION.

What share did Chicago's neglect of lake commerce have in reducing the rate of population growth from 54.1-2 to 28 per cent? This is the concrete problem now being worked out. The rate of growth of Milwaukee, where lake commerce has increased yearly, was greater than Chicago's, so was Detroit's. What relation do these facts bear one to the other? Chicago's greatest growth in a decade was during the years when lake commerce was increasing by leaps and bounds. Between 1860 and 1870 Chicago grew at the rate of 178 per cent, and during those years the lake commerce reached proportions that were 41 per cent as great as it was in 1909—approximately six million tons in and out instead of fourteen and a half million tons. The city in 1870 was only a city of 300,000—one-seventh as large as today, but with nearly half as much lake commerce. Since 1898 there has been a decline rather than a gain in shipping to and from Chicago, due to poor harbor facilities. During the same time New York's maritime commerce has grown continually, likewise its population. The census total of 2,185,283 for Chicago put the harbor question into concrete figures, and it also put the Three-Million club into a fine predicament, for it has issued rosy estimates of growth which promised that the 3,000,000 figure would be reached in a walk and that the census would show 3,333,333 or thereabouts. The biggest cities in the world now are these: New York, 4,766,883; Chicago, 2,185,283; Tokio, 2,040,148; St. Petersburg, 1,678,000; Canton, 1,600,000; Philadelphia, 1,549,008; Moscow, 1,359,254; Buenos Ayres, 1,125,000; Constantinople, 1,106,000. To the foregoing must be added London, Berlin and Paris.

He Trades.

Obstreperous Paternal Parent—Bob, is that young man who calls on your sister a plumber?

Young Bob—Yes, sir; he's a plumber and an electrician to boot.
O. P. P.—Is he? Well, I'll remember the last part when he calls again.
—Exchange.

JUST FOR FUN

His Distinguishing Mark.

One day a big city bank received the following message from one of its country correspondents: "Pay \$25 to John Smith, who will call today." The cashier's curiosity became suspicious when a cabman assisted into the bank a drunken "fare," who shouted that he was John Smith and wanted some money. Two clerks pushed, pulled and piloted the boisterous individual into a private room away from the sight and hearing of regular depositors. The cashier wired the country bank:

"Man claiming to be John Smith is here. Highly intoxicated. Shall we await identification?"
The answer read: "Identification complete. Pay the money.—Success Magazine."

Strong on Length.

Richard Carle lately engaged as a cook a Swedish giantess, who proved unsatisfactory. On departure she asked for a written testimonial, and Mr. Carle presented her with the following:

"To whom it may concern:—I have lately had in my employ Hulda Swanson, who was engaged to cook for a family of three and do such things as would be possible when not cooking.

ing. Under this head might come a little dusting and dishwashing and answering the door bell. Taking all these things into account, I wish to say that Hulda is absolutely the tallest cook I ever saw."—Success Magazine.

Not a Matter of Money.

Stern Parent—I'm afraid that young man is mercenary.
The Daughter—Oh, no, he isn't papa.

Stern Parent—But he knows I am worth two millions, doesn't he?
The Daughter—Yes, of course; but he says he would love me just as much if you were worth only a million and a half.—Chicago News.

Not So Stingy.

Sister Jane lingered with the visitor at the front door, but at last the visitor went, and sister Jane tripped lightly up to her room, humming softly and gladly to herself. She wanted to be alone to think over all the nice things the visitor had said.

Little James (aged 7) entered the sitting room slowly and thoughtfully. "Mamma," he said, "sister's new beau isn't as stingy as I thought he was."

"Isn't he, dear? Well I'm glad to hear it," answered his mother.

"No," said Brother James, deliberately, "he's stingier!"—Answers.

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